



“Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programs”

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### **COVID-19 Waiver**

*Every person enrolled in a sports league, recreation program or obtaining facility use permit will be required to complete and return a waiver. If the participant is under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian will take responsibility for reading the waiver and accepting the responsibility as outlined on behalf of their minor child.*

*We understand that circumstances may change or vary from time to time. If you ever find yourself in a situation that feels unsafe, dangerous or unhealthy, please take your personal responsibility seriously and leave the situation. Your health, and that of your child, is of the utmost importance and should always be your first priority.*

### **ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES INCLUDING CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people. Participation in sports, athletic programs or other group activities may not allow for proper social distancing measures and practices. The Town of Colchester cannot and does not guarantee that you will **not** become infected with COVID-19. In consideration of being allowed to participate in a sports league, athletic program, group activity, camp or program and all related events and activities on Town of Colchester owned property, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1. By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and **voluntarily assume the risk** that I may be exposed to, or infected by COVID-19 by attending and/or participating in a sports league, athletic program, group activity, camp or program and all related events and activities and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

2. I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to myself including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I may experience or incur in connection with my participation.

3. On my behalf, I hereby release and hold harmless, covenant not to sue, discharge, and agree to indemnify the Town of Colchester, its elected and appointed officials, employees, agents, and representatives, from any claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto **WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH**, including but not limited to those related to COVID-19, or loss or damage to person or property, **WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE CITY OR OTHERWISE**, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

4. I willingly agree to comply with customary and stated protocols to protect against infectious diseases, including COVID-19. If, however, I observe any unusual or significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately.

**I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IF FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.**

Name of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Program/League \_\_\_\_\_

If 18 years of age or OVER:

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

If UNDER the age of 18:

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_